

Scalable Dynamic Optimization

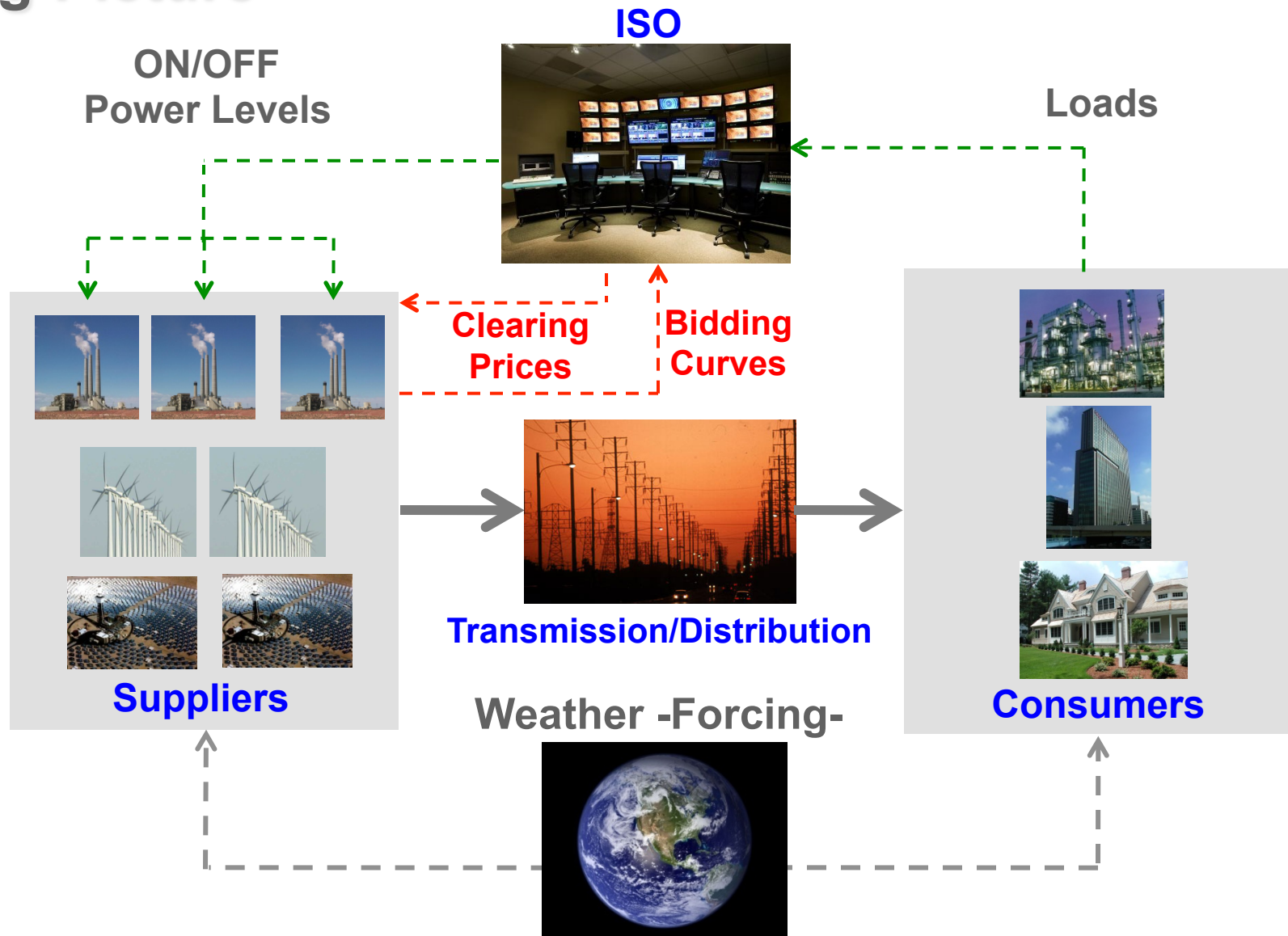
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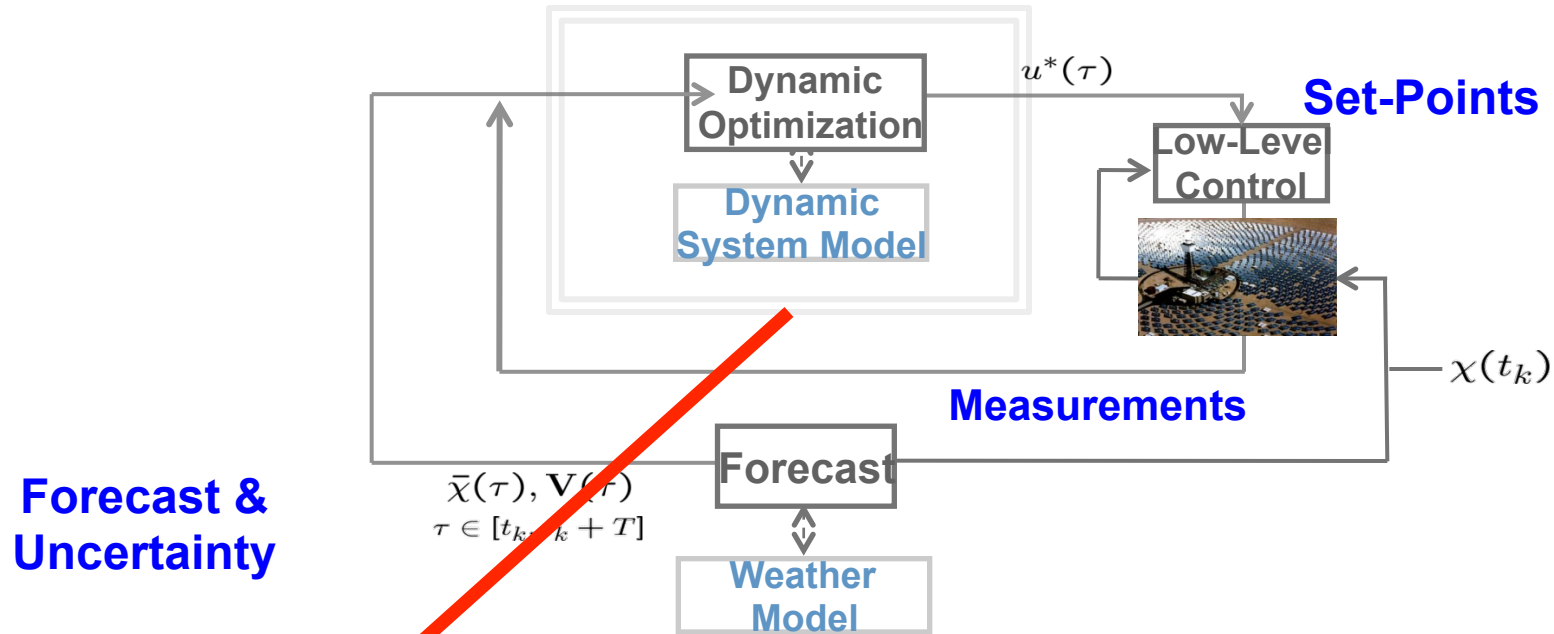
Big Picture



Real-Time Optimization is Pervasive in Energy : Estimation, Management, Control
Requires Extreme-Scale NLP Solvers: Model Size and Short Time Scales



Model Predictive Control (MPC)



Need for MPC

- Traditional control approximates the model based on output (mostly) ignoring its physical structure.
- High variability in forcing and nonlinearity requires a physical model-based approach.
- Far more computationally intensive bottleneck is optimization problem.

Dynamic Optimization for MPC

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{u(\tau), z(t)} \quad & \int_t^{t+T} \varphi(z(\tau), u(\tau), \omega(t)) d\tau \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{dz}{d\tau} = \mathbf{f}(z(\tau), u(\tau), \omega(t)) \\ & 0 \geq \mathbf{h}(z(\tau), u(\tau), \omega(t)) \end{aligned}$$

Fundamental Limitations of Off-The-Shelf Optimization

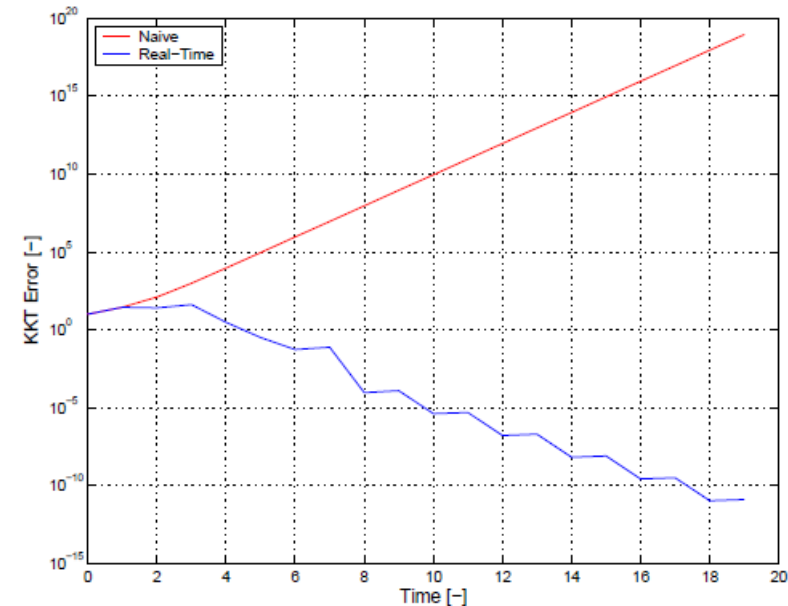
Example DO:

$$\min_{x(t)} \frac{1}{2}(x(t) - \eta(t))^2 + \frac{1}{2}x(t)^2 \cdot \eta(t)$$

Off-the-Shelf : Solve to Given Accuracy (Neglect Dynamics)

$$\epsilon^j(t) = \|\nabla_x f(x^j(t), \eta(t))\| \leq \delta_\epsilon$$

Real-Time (Z & A) : One SQP Iteration per step



Outline of the Talk

- 1. Generalized Equation / “Incomplete Optimization”**
- 2. Exact Differentiable Penalty Approach for Accuracy and Reduced Latency**
- 3. Numerical Case Studies**
- 4. Conclusions and Future Work**



1. Generalized Equation / “Incomplete Optimization”



MPC as Dynamic Generalized Equation (Z & A)

Context: Parametric NLP $\min_{x \in X} f(x, t), \text{ s.t. } c(x, t) = 0$

Time linearization of Optimality Conditions: Find $\bar{w}_t = [\bar{x}_t \ \bar{\lambda}_t]$

KKT system for QP

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \nabla_x f(x_{t_0}^*, t)^T \Delta x + \frac{1}{2} \Delta x^T \nabla_{xx} \mathcal{L}(w_{t_0}^*, t_0) \Delta x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & c(x_{t_0}^*, t) + \nabla_x c(x_{t_0}^*, t_0)^T \Delta x = 0 \\ & \Delta x \geq -x_{t_0}^* \end{aligned}$$

$0 \in F(w_{t_0}^*, t) + \nabla_w F(w_{t_0}^*, t_0)(w - w_{t_0}^*) + \mathcal{N}_W(w)$

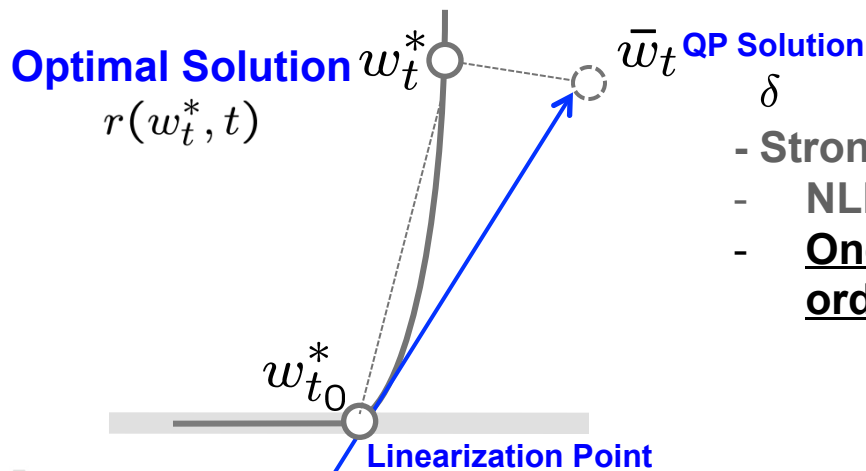
$w_{t_0}^*$

Note: Canonical Form Identical to Time-Stepping for DVI

Exact Solution Satisfies:

$$\delta \in F(w_{t_0}^*, t_0) + \nabla_w F(w_{t_0}^*, t_0)(w - w_{t_0}^*) + \mathcal{N}_W(w) \quad \delta = F(w_{t_0}^*, t_0) - F(w_{t_0}^*, t)$$

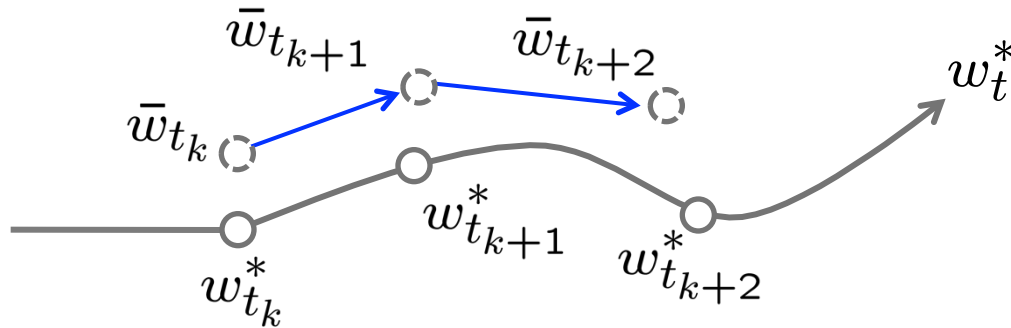
From Lipschitz Continuity of strongly regular GE: $\|w_t^* - \bar{w}_t\| \leq L\Delta t^2$



- Strong Regularity Requires SSOC and LICQ
- NLP Error is Bounded by LGE Perturbation
- One QP solution from exact manifold is second-order accurate

One-QP per step stabilizes

But for linearized DO I am never EXACTLY on the manifold: What then?



Solve off-manifold time-dependent QP

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \nabla_x f(\bar{x}_{t_k}, t_{k+1})^T \Delta x + \frac{1}{2} \Delta x^T \nabla_{xx} \mathcal{L}(\bar{w}_{t_k}, t_k) \Delta x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & c(\bar{x}_{t_k}, t_{k+1}) + \nabla_x c(\bar{x}_{t_k}, t_k)^T \Delta x = 0 \\ & \Delta x \geq -\bar{x}_{t_k} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (elucidating an issue posed by Diehl et al.)

- **A: LGE is Strongly Regular at ALL $w_{t_k}^*$** e.g. NLP satisfies LICQ and SOSC everywhere

Then: For sufficiently small Δt , we can track the manifold stably, solving 1 QP per step

$$\|\bar{w}_{t_k} - w_{t_k}^*\| \leq L_\psi \delta_r \Rightarrow \|\bar{w}_{t_{k+1}} - w_{t_{k+1}}^*\| \leq L_\psi \delta_r$$

Moreover: Stability Holds Even if QP Solved to $\mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2)$ accuracy. Can use iterative methods.

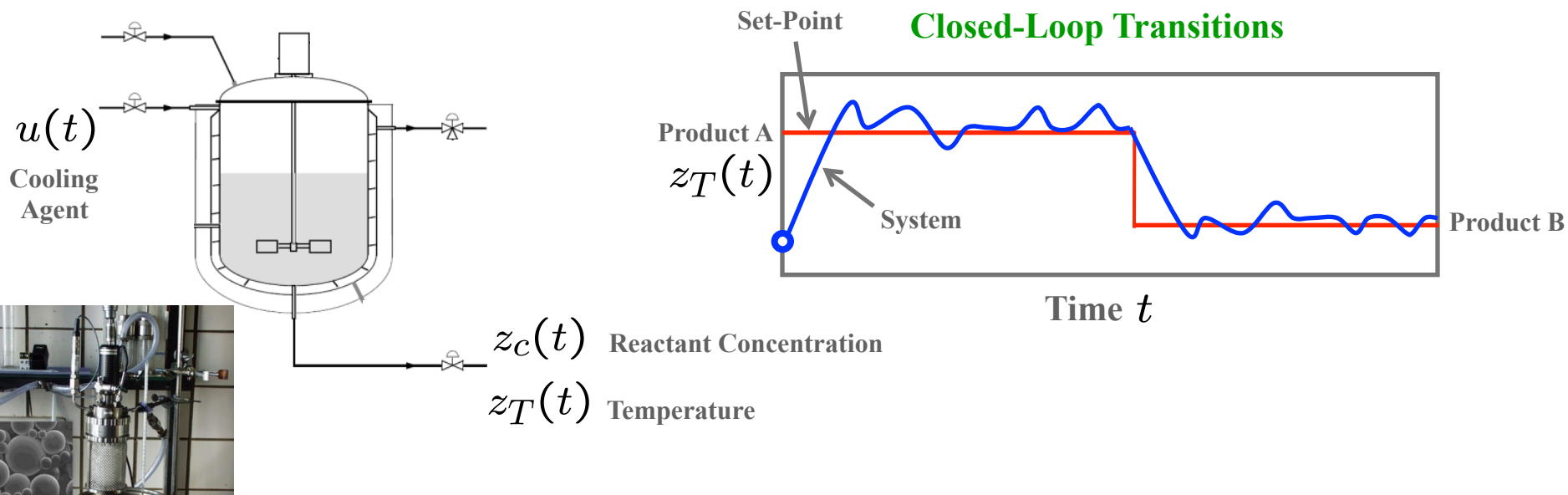
Much less effort per step and better chances for real-time performance !



Need for more features of DO solvers

- One QP per step may still be too much
- Moreover I may need also good global and fast local convergence properties as well, it is not all about asymptotics!
- Sometimes one switch regimes, the optimal point moves far away, and you still want to be able to track well. – MPC algorithm must exhibit global convergence and fast local convergence (i.e. Newton)!
- Also, power grid problems can be huge (US ~ 1 – 100 Billion Variables). Need scalable solvers.

Control of Polymerization Reactor



2. Exact Differentiable Penalty Approach for Accuracy and Reduced Latency



Technical Problem

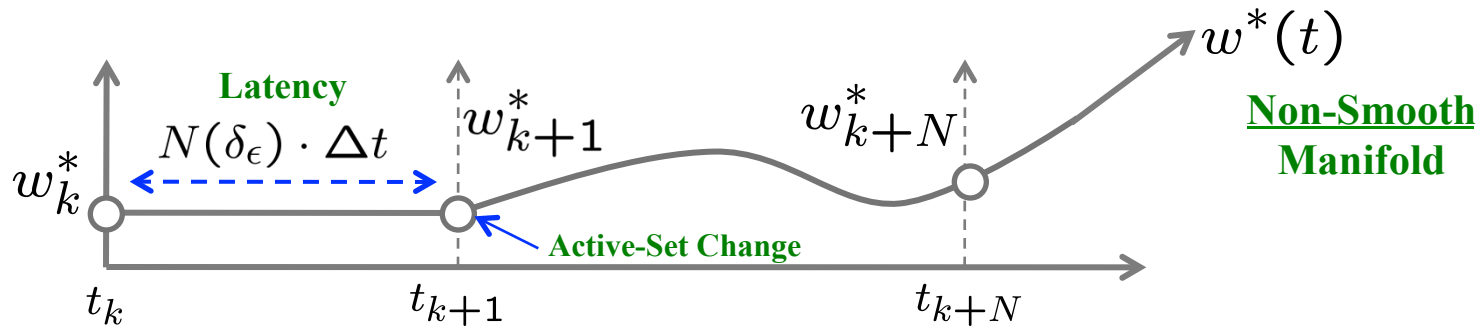
$$\min_x f(x, t)$$

$$\text{s.t. } h(x, t) = 0, \quad (\lambda)$$

$$x \geq 0.$$

$$w^T = [x^T, \lambda^T]$$

Solution forms Time-Moving and Non-Smooth Manifold



- Challenge is to Track Manifold Accurately (Classical Optimization) AND Stably (Latency Conscious: A good Step, Computer Fast)

Technical Problem

- **Challenge is to Track Manifold Accurately AND Stably (Get Good Step with Minimum Latency)**
- **This requires NLP Solvers with the Following Features:**
 - **A) Classical Optimization Oriented :**
 - 1) **Superlinear Convergence (Newton-Based)**
 - 2) **Scalable Step Computation (Iterative Linear Algebra)**
 - **B) Latency Conscious:**
 - 3) **Asymptotic Monotonicity of Minor Iterations (Makes Progress in $O(N)$)**
 - 4) **Active-Set Detection and Warm-Start**
- **Existing Solvers Tend to Fail at Least One Feature**
 - **Interior Point: 4, and to some extent, 2,3**
 - **Augmented Lagrangian: 1**
 - **SQP: 2**



Exact Differentiable Penalty Functions (EDPFs)

Consider Transformation using Squared Slacks

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h(x) = 0 \\ & x \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x,z} \quad & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h(x) = 0 \\ & x = z^2 \end{aligned}$$

Equivalent To:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_z \quad & f(z^2) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h(z^2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(z^2, \lambda) = f(z^2) + \lambda^T h(z^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_z \mathcal{L}(z^2, \lambda) &= 2 \cdot Z \cdot (\nabla f(z^2) + \nabla h(z^2) \lambda) \\ &= 2 \cdot X^{1/2} \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

Apply DiPillo and Grippo's Penalty Function *DiPillo, Grippo, 1979, Bertsekas, 1982*

$$P(x, \lambda, \alpha, \beta) = \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda) + \frac{1}{2} \alpha c(x)^T c(x) + \boxed{2\beta \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda)^T X \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda)}$$

Solve NLP Indirectly Through EDPF Problem:

$$\min_{x, \lambda} P(x, \lambda, \alpha, \beta) \text{ s.t. } x \geq 0$$



Exact Differentiable Penalty Functions with Bound Constraints

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_x f(x) \\ \text{s.t. } h(x) = 0 \\ x \geq 0 \end{array} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \min_{x,\lambda} P(x, \lambda, \alpha, \beta) \text{ s.t. } x \geq 0$$

$$P(x, \lambda, \alpha, \beta) = \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda) + \frac{1}{2}\alpha h(x)^T h(x) + 2\beta \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda)^T X \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda)$$

Advantages

- **EDPF Differentiable Everywhere**
- **Unconstrained Problem with Box Constraints, scalable, superlinear, warm-start**
- **Makes Progress at Each Iteration (latency)**

Questions

- **Under What Conditions Do Minimizers of EDPF and NLP Coincide?**
- **How to Deal with Nonconvexity?**
 - **Detect and Exploit Negative Curvature**
- **Can We Enable Scalability AND NOT NEED THIRD DERIVATIVE?**
 - **First and Second Derivatives**
 - **Iterative Linear Algebra**



The big picture

- Combine Bertsekas bound constrained EDPF with Lin-More trust region.
- Superlinear convergence w/o Maratos from EDPF
- Matrix free from Lin-More
- Improvement in Order N from EDPF
- Warm-Start and active set detection from Lin-More
- And maybe this will help optimization proper
- Our contributions:
- Formalizing bound constrained EDPF properties
- Using trust-region to get rid of the third derivative while preserving both global convergence of EPF and superlinear convergence of Newton.
- Demonstrating that the approach scales well.



Derivatives and Minimizers of EDPF

$$P(x, \lambda, \alpha, \beta) = \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda) + \frac{1}{2}\alpha h(x)^T h(x) + 2\beta \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda)^T X \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda)$$

In Compact Form

$$P_{\alpha, \beta}(w) = \mathcal{L}(w) + \frac{1}{2} \nabla_w \mathcal{L}(w)^T K_{\alpha, \beta}(w) \nabla_w \mathcal{L}(w)$$

$$K_{\alpha, \beta}(w) = \begin{bmatrix} 4\beta X & \\ & \alpha I_m \end{bmatrix}$$

First Derivative

$$\nabla P = \nabla \mathcal{L} + \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} K \nabla \mathcal{L} + \frac{1}{2} \Gamma \text{diag}(\nabla \mathcal{L}) \nabla \mathcal{L}$$

Is KKT Point of EDPF a KKT Point of NLP?

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \sqrt{X} \nabla_x P = 0 & \longrightarrow & \sqrt{X} \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda) = 0 \\ \nabla_\lambda P = 0 & & \nabla_\lambda \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda) = 0 \end{array}$$

Theorem:

Under LICQ and SC there exist α, β , such that KKT Point of EDPF is KKT point of NLP.

Proof:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{I}_{n \times n} + 4\beta \sqrt{X} \nabla_{x,x} \mathcal{L}(w^*) \sqrt{X} + 2\beta \text{diag}(\nabla_x \mathcal{L}(w^*)) & \alpha \sqrt{X} \nabla_x h(x^*)^T \\ 4\beta \nabla_x h(x^*) \sqrt{X} & \mathbb{I}_{m \times m} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{X} \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(w^*) \\ h(x^*) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_n \\ 0_m \end{bmatrix}.$$

Matrix on LHS is PD For sufficient large α and sufficiently small β .



Derivatives and Minimizers of EDPF

Second Derivative

$$\nabla^2 P \cdot u = \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} K \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \text{diag}(\nabla \mathcal{L}) \Gamma \cdot u + \Gamma \text{diag}(\nabla \mathcal{L}) \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u) K \nabla \mathcal{L}$$

Third-Order Term

High-Order Term Vanishes at KKT Point Because $K \nabla \mathcal{L} = 0$.

Is Strict Minimizer of EDPF a Strict Minimizer of NLP?

Theorem:

- i) If KKT Point satisfies SSOC for NLP then there exist α, β , such that it satisfies SSOC of EDPF.
- ii) If KKT Point does not satisfy SSOC for NLP then there exist α, β , such that this is not a strict local minimizer of EDPF.

Proof: Relies on Analysis of Projected Hessian where N is null-space matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} & \nu^T N^T \nabla^2 P N \nu \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \nu_x^T N_x^T & \nu_\lambda^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H & A^T \\ A & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_x \nu_x \\ \nu_\lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ & \quad + \begin{bmatrix} \nu_x^T N_x^T & \nu_\lambda^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H & A^T \\ A & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4\beta X & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha \mathbb{I}_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H & A^T \\ A & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_x \nu_x \\ \nu_\lambda \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$



Derivatives and Minimizers of EDPF

A “Strong” Dennis-More Condition

Exact Hessian

$$\nabla^2 P \cdot u = \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} K \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \text{diag}(\nabla \mathcal{L}) \Gamma \cdot u + \Gamma \text{diag}(\nabla \mathcal{L}) \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u) K \nabla \mathcal{L}.$$

Approximate Hessian

$$Q \cdot u = \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} K \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \text{diag}(\nabla \mathcal{L}) \Gamma \cdot u + \Gamma \text{diag}(\nabla \mathcal{L}) \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u$$

Approximate Hessian is Asymptotically Convergent

$$\begin{aligned} (Q(w) - \nabla^2 P(w)) \cdot u &= \nabla(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}(w) \cdot u) K(w) \nabla \mathcal{L}(w) \\ &= o(u) O(\|w - w^*\|), \quad \text{because } K(w^*) \nabla \mathcal{L}(w^*) = 0 \\ &\stackrel{w \rightarrow w^*}{=} 0. \end{aligned}$$

Implication:

- We can drop third-order terms and derive quasi-Newton algorithms that retain superlinear convergence.
- Much easier implementation.



Trust-Region Newton

$$\min_{x,\lambda} P_{\alpha,\beta}(w) \text{ s.t. } w \in \Omega$$

- Need to detect and exploit directions of negative curvature
- Use Trust-Region Newton Framework of Lin and More (TRON)

1) Determine Activity Using Cauchy Point

$$[w^c, \mathcal{A}^c] = \text{Proj}[w - \alpha^c \nabla P(w)]$$

2) Compute Search Step by Solving Trust-Region QP using Steihaug's Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient Approach (PCG)

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\Delta w} \quad & \nabla P(w)^T \Delta w + \frac{1}{2} \Delta w^T Q(w) \Delta w \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \Delta w_i = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{A}^c \\ & \|\Delta w\| \leq \Delta \end{aligned}$$

3) Check Progress Over Cauchy Step and Update Trust Region Radius

- Approach Converges to Strict Local Minimizers of NLP Globally and Superlinearly
- Requires α, β , to Satisfy Conditions of Previous Theorems



Computational Scalability

Derivatives

- EDPF Hessian Can be Assembled using Hessian and Jacobian Vector Products

$$\nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot \nu = \begin{bmatrix} H & A^T \\ A & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \nu_x \\ \nu_\lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H \cdot \nu_x + A^T \cdot \nu_\lambda \\ A \cdot \nu_x \end{bmatrix}. \quad \text{Kernel}$$

$$Q \cdot u = \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} K \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u + \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \text{diag}(\nabla \mathcal{L}) \Gamma \cdot u + \Gamma \text{diag}(\nabla \mathcal{L}) \nabla^2 \mathcal{L} \cdot u$$

Requires 2 Unique Kernels

PCG

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{s_d^k} & g^{kT} N^k s_d^k + \frac{1}{2} s_d^{kT} (N^k)^T Q^k N^k s_d^k \\ \text{s.t. } & \|D^k N_j^k s_d^k\| \leq \Delta^k. \end{aligned}$$

- Does Not Require Assembling Reduced Hessian
- Requires Action of Inverse Preconditioner $(D^k)^{-1} \cdot r$
- Incomplete Cholesky, PARDISO, Algebraic Multigrid
- Inertia Detected Externally (Not by Linear Solver)



3. Numerical Results



Numerical Examples

Algorithmic Behavior

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & (x_1 - 1)^2 + (x_2 - 2)^2 + (x_3 - 3)^2 + x_1 x_4 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 x_4 + x_1 x_2 + x_3 = 4, \quad (\lambda) \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

| k | P^k | g_{Proj}^k | ρ^k | $\ s^k\ $ | TR $\ \Delta^k\ $ | $\ Q^k - H^k\ $ | Min Eig $\underline{\lambda}(Q_d^k)$ | $\underline{\lambda}(H_d^k)$ | card(\mathcal{A}_P^k) |
|-----|--------|---------------------|----------|-----------|----------------------|-----------------|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 0 | 25.150 | 2.0e+2 | | | | | | | 0 |
| 1 | 3.449 | 5.9e+1 | +3.26 | 2.5e-1 | 261.9 | 2.0e+2 | -2.48 | -22.67 | 0 |
| 2 | 3.449 | 5.9e+1 | -0.70 | 0.0e+0 | 523.9 | 5.8e+1 | -2.48 | -22.67 | 0 |
| 3 | 3.449 | 5.9e+1 | -0.62 | 0.0e+0 | 131.0 | 5.8e+1 | -2.48 | -22.67 | 0 |
| 4 | 3.449 | 5.9e+1 | -0.33 | 0.0e+0 | 32.0 | 5.8e+1 | -2.48 | -22.67 | 0 |
| 5 | 3.449 | 5.9e+1 | -0.28 | 0.0e+0 | 8.0 | 5.8e+1 | -2.48 | -22.67 | 0 |
| 6 | 1.533 | 2.5e+1 | +0.37 | 2.0e+0 | 2.0 | 5.8e+1 | -2.48 | -22.67 | 0 |
| 7 | 0.945 | 1.6e+0 | +0.52 | 1.9e-1 | 2.0 | 2.9e+1 | +0.15 | -0.39 | 0 |
| 8 | 0.944 | 4.9e-1 | +0.48 | 2.6e-3 | 4.0 | 1.9e+0 | +0.19 | +0.37 | 0 |
| 9 | 0.943 | 4.5e-1 | +0.93 | 1.4e-3 | 4.0 | 4.0e-1 | +0.19 | +0.25 | 0 |
| 10 | 0.909 | 2.3e-1 | +0.94 | 1.8e-1 | 8.0 | 3.4e-1 | +0.40 | +0.40 | 1 |
| 11 | 0.908 | 1.7e-6 | +0.99 | 8.7e-3 | 16.0 | 3.1e-6 | +0.38 | +0.38 | 1 |

- Trust Region Management Critical - Line Search Solvers Fail (IPOPT)
- High Nonlinearity at Beginning of Search (Third order term induces it)



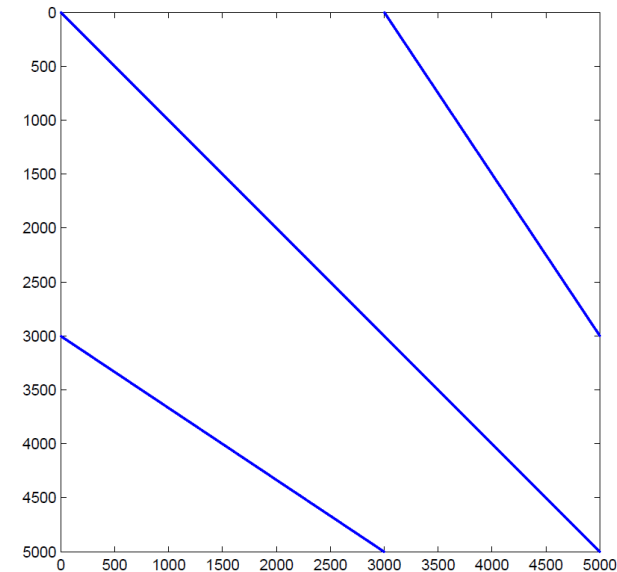
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Optimal Control Problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \int_0^T \left(\alpha_c \cdot (c(\tau) - \bar{c})^2 + \alpha_t \cdot (t(\tau) - \bar{t})^2 + \alpha_u \cdot (u(\tau) - \bar{u})^2 \right) d\tau \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \dot{c}(\tau) = \frac{1 - c(\tau)}{\theta} - p_k \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{p_E}{t(\tau)}\right) \cdot c(\tau) \\ & \dot{t}(\tau) = \frac{t_f - t(\tau)}{\theta} + p_k \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{p_E}{t(\tau)}\right) \cdot c(\tau) - p_\alpha \cdot u(\tau) \cdot (t(\tau) - t_c) \\ & c(\tau), t(\tau), u(\tau) \geq 0, \quad \tau \in [0, T] \\ & c(0) = c(\tau_{sys}), \quad t(0) = t(\tau_{sys}). \end{aligned}$$

| N | n | m | n_w | $\text{nnz}(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L})$ | $\text{nnz}(Q)$ | $\% \text{dens}(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L})$ | $\% \text{dens}(Q)$ |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|---------------------|
| 500 | 1,500 | 1,000 | 2,500 | 10,486 | 26,492 | 2.0e-1 | 4.0e-1 |
| 1,000 | 3,000 | 2,000 | 5,000 | 20,996 | 52,972 | 8.4e-2 | 2.0e-1 |
| 5,000 | 15,000 | 10,000 | 25,000 | 104,996 | 264,972 | 1.6e-2 | 4.0e-2 |
| 10,000 | 30,000 | 20,000 | 50,000 | 209,996 | 529,972 | 8.3e-3 | 2.1e-2 |

- Discretize and Scale Problem Up by Increasing Horizon N
- Sparsity of Augmented System Retained in Hessian of EDPF
- Drop Tolerance Incomplete Cholesky of $1e-4$



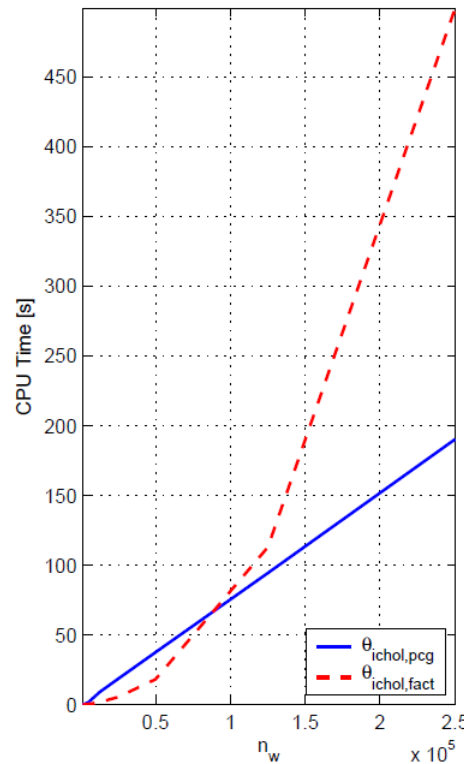
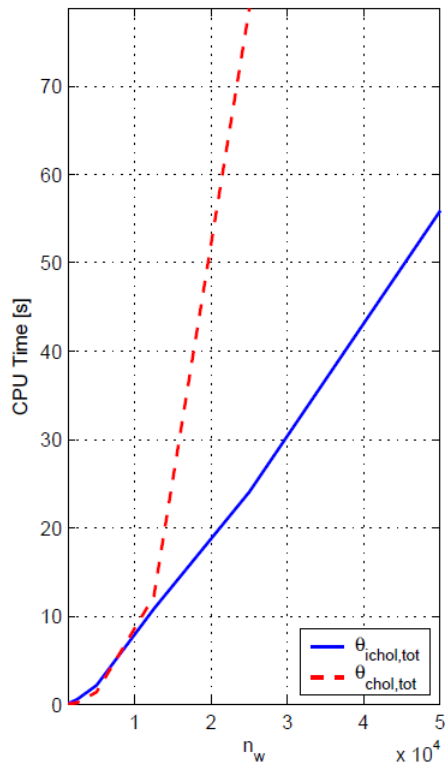
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Scalability

Incomplete Cholesky

Full Cholesky

| n_w | it_{pcg} | $\theta_{ichol,pcg}$ | $\theta_{ichol,fact}$ | $\theta_{ichol,tot}$ | $\theta_{chol,pcg}$ | $\theta_{chol,fact}$ | $\theta_{chol,tot}$ |
|---------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1,250 | 17 | 8.5e-2 | 3.1e-2 | 1.1e-1 | 2.7e-2 | 3.3e-2 | 6.0e-2 |
| 2,500 | 24 | 4.9e-1 | 1.3e-1 | 6.2e-1 | 1.1e-1 | 1.5e-1 | 2.6e-1 |
| 5,000 | 29 | 1.7e+0 | 4.4e-1 | 2.2e+0 | 5.7e-1 | 8.5e-1 | 1.4e+0 |
| 12,500 | 31 | 9.0e+0 | 1.8e+0 | 1.1e+1 | 3.8e+0 | 8.4e+0 | 1.2e+1 |
| 25,000 | 31 | 1.8e+1 | 5.5e+0 | 2.4e+1 | 2.5e+1 | 5.4e+1 | 7.8e+1 |
| 50,000 | 31 | 3.7e+1 | 1.8e+1 | 5.5e+1 | - | - | - |
| 125,000 | 31 | 9.4e+1 | 1.1e+2 | 2.0e+2 | - | - | - |
| 250,000 | 31 | 1.9e+2 | 4.9e+2 | 6.8e+2 | - | - | - |



- Scalability of Full Cholesky Not Competitive
- Incomplete Cholesky Gives High Flexibility
 - Can Specify Drop Tolerance to Reduce Latency
- PCG Iterations Scale Well
- Largest Problem Has 250,000 Variables



Numerical Examples

Active-Set Identification for the 2500 dimension case

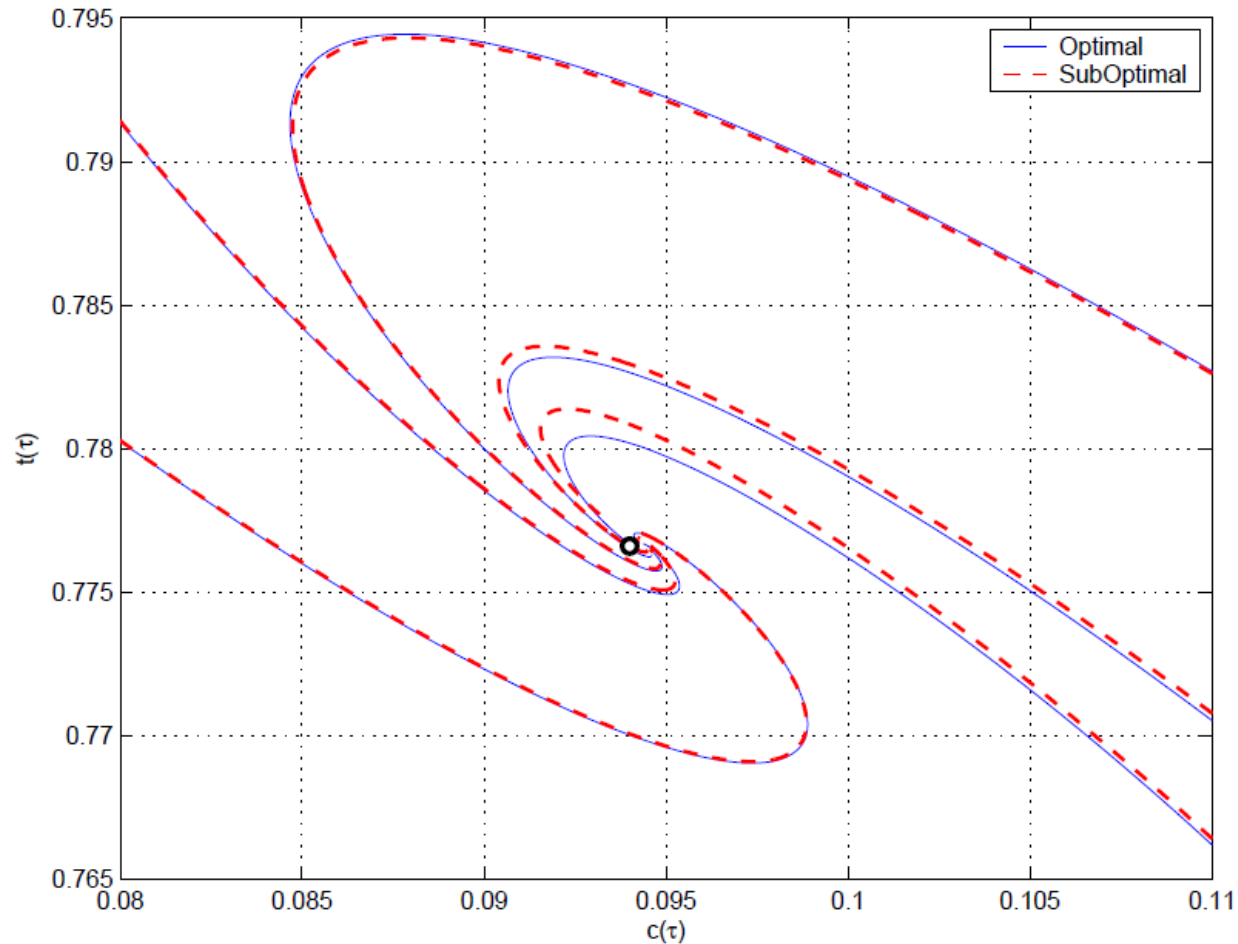
| Case 1 | | | | | Case 2 | | | |
|--------|---------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------|---------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| k | P^k | g_{Proj}^k | $\mathcal{A}_P(w^k)$ | n_{PCG}^k | P^k | g_{Proj}^k | $\mathcal{A}_P(w^k)$ | n_{PCG} |
| 0 | 4.05e+3 | 4.52e+3 | 44 | - | 1.21e+4 | 2.43e+5 | 173 | - |
| 1 | 1.14e+2 | 4.70e+3 | 44 | 41 | 4.96e+2 | 5.76e+4 | 0 | 132 |
| 2 | 1.83e+1 | 3.72e+3 | 119 | 32 | 9.48e+1 | 1.86e+3 | 0 | 45 |
| 3 | 1.83e+1 | 1.55e+2 | 170 | 27 | 5.57e+0 | 3.27e+4 | 26 | 37 |
| 4 | 1.83e+1 | 5.59e−6 | 173 | 17 | 3.98e+0 | 1.11e+3 | 43 | 26 |
| 5 | - | - | - | - | 3.98e+0 | 8.50e−6 | 44 | 13 |

- Case 1) Has 173 variables active at solution and initialized with 44
- Case 2) Has 44 variables active at solution and initialized with 173
- Cauchy Search Efficient at Detecting Activity (Allows for Large Changes Between Iterates)
- Number of PCG Iterations Do Not Degrade as Solution Approached (Compare with IP)



Numerical Examples

Early Termination on problem with $N=100$



- Run MPC Problem Terminating After 2 Major Iterations and 20 PCG iterations
- Reduced Latency by A Factor of 4 (Four)
- Convergence to Equilibrium Point (Warm-Starting Effective)



4. Conclusions and Future Work

- We derived NLP algorithms that enable:

- 1) **Superlinear Convergence (Newton-Based)**
- 2) **Scalable Step Computation (Enable Iterative Linear Algebra)**
- 3) **Asymptotic Monotonicity of Minor Iterations (Makes Progress)**
- 4) **Active-Set Detection and Warm-Start**

- Critical in “Fast” Real-Time Environments

- Proposed Approach : EDPF + Trust-Region Newton + PCG

- 1) **Newton-Based in Primal/Dual Space with Convergent Approximate Hessian**
- 2) **Steihaug’s PCG to Detect and Exploit Negative Curvature**
- 3) **PCG Improvement on EDPF Function**
- 4) **Cauchy**

- **ToDo:**

- **More Robust Implementation (Scaling, Trust-Region Update Rules, Ill-Conditioning)**
- **Alternative Penalty Functions Requiring Only One Parameter**
- **Preconditioning**
- **Exploiting Special Structures**
- **Comparison with Other NLP Solvers**

